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1. The successive purges in the Officer Corps of the Army of the Rumanian People's Republic has naturally resulted in clearing out completely the subalterns of the old Rumanian Royal Army. On the other hand, the very latest information indicates that there are still a very few officers of higher rank who have been held over from the old regime.
 2. These senior officers are, however, assigned entirely to staff work in the bureaus. They are not allowed to have the least contact with troops.
 3. The Soviets have now given orders for a new investigation of even these few "hold-overs". The Rumanian General Staff is to be asked whether some of the more capable Communists may not be able to take the place of these veterans, who can then be sent into retirement.
 4. A new program is being prepared for application during February and March 1954. This will deal with the whole internal organization of the bureaus of the Army. The new organization will be entirely based on Soviet methods.

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